



ACCOMPLISHMENTS: CALFED agencies initiated actions to complete Watershed Program commitments made in the Record of Decision (ROD) and Framework Agreement. Key actions completed include:

- Developed an initial strategy to guide program implementation through the first three years.
- Formed an Interagency Watershed Advisory Team that will focus on implementation and technical aspects of the Program.
- Developed all components of a grant solicitation process in preparation for a 2001 solicitation for proposals.
- Began negotiations on a Memorandum of Understanding that will describe and assign responsibilities for long-term implementation of the Program.



To date, no money has been made available to implement either the financial or technical assistance components of the Watershed Program. The Program anticipates that funding for implementation will be available in early 2001.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The programmatic plan, initial implementation strategy, and all other aspects of the Watershed Program were developed with extensive stakeholder involvement. The primary stakeholder involvement comes through the Bay-Delta Advisory Council's Watershed Work Group. More than 400 people have participated in the work group. Most of the participants are actively involved in advising on both the planning and early implementation activities of the Watershed Program.

The Watershed Work Group also has been a primary forum for involving the environmental justice community and tribal governments in the development of the CALFED Watershed Program Plan.

NEXT STEPS: Future actions include:

- Conducting a grant program when funding is made available in 2001.
- Developing a Strategic Plan for Long-Term Implementation that will be much more specific and serve as the primary guide for watershed actions.